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RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2004. Per the petition and fee submitted herewith, applicant invokes the benefit of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 to secure a one-month extension of time up to and including February 6, 2005. No further fees are believed due in connection with the submission of this response. However, if a fee is due, kindly charge deposit account 50-0573.

Amendments to the Specification begin on pg. 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Argument begin on pg. 3 of this paper.